

Evening Chat

Judging from the large number of caterpillars to be found in this section, it must be caterpillar year. In some sections of the city where trees and foliage are dense, the worms have become quite a pest and threaten to destroy leaves of trees and foliage on smaller shrubbery. Not for a number of years have the little pests been so numerous and many believe the extremely warm weather has had something to do with multiplying the worms.

Every year at this time the worms make their appearance but not for many years have they been found in such large numbers in this locality. Trees in some parts of the city are almost stripped of leaves and the worms threaten to do considerable damage.

If one were to say he's the most genial fellow in town everybody would know who he is.

Recently he moved his family out into the country for the summer, which means that every night he has to trudge quite a distance up and down hill after leaving the trolley before he reaches the bosom of his family.

It was a beautiful morning. Old Sol had just risen from a night of peaceful slumber.

Down the road he comes; following him a short distance a farmer's wagon. A happy thought possesses him—I'll just slack up a bit and maybe I'll save a walk.

"Good morning, neighbor," in his inimitable cheery manner.

"Good morning," echoed the driver as he reined in his horse, accompanied by a long-drawn "who-a."

"Headin' for town?"

"I'll say I am."

"Reckon yer might as well ride."

"Well this is an unexpected pleasure, and I sure will, if yer don't mind."

Seated side by side they jogged along the country road, exchanging words with an evident desire to hit upon a subject that would be of common interest.

Mr. Genial Fellow "lowed that the dry spell had hurt farming right smart," which elicited the reply "I reckon it did."

The conversation went smoothly along the line of agriculture until each was convinced the other was a true enough progressive farmer.

"How long have you been farming?" asked the driver.

"Oh, I'm not a farmer. I'm a book-keeper. I have my family out here in the country for the summer and I go back and forth every day. Some years ago I lived in Philadelphia, and—"

"In Philadelphia? Is that so? Well, that's my home. I am teaching there and came to these grand green hills to spend a vacation."

"Well, here is where I get off. Much obliged to you. Good bye."

And two men with all the makings of high-grade confidence men parted company—both with the same thought—"He must have known I was 'stringing' him."

The early part of September is the best time for seeding a new lawn in the states south of New England and north of the Potomac and Ohio rivers, according to plant specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Likewise, the repairing of lawns in this region is much more likely to be successful if undertaken in the early autumn rather than in the early spring. The reason late summer and fall planting is preferable where climatic conditions will permit is that young grass does not stool well in spring and summer and is not aggressive enough during these seasons to combat weeds. In the northern tier of states and New England, these conditions do not hold, and spring is the best time for lawn work. At this time in the extreme north the soil is more open than later in the season and offers a better seed bed.

The first consideration in making a new lawn is a suitable soil. This should be well drained and of good texture and should be thoroughly prepared. A good loam will need only enrichment. This may be brought about best by a dressing of well-rotted barnyard manure thoroughly worked in. If manure is not available, 20 pounds of bone meal for each 1,000 square feet may be substituted. If the lawn site is of stiff clay both sand and humus or decayed vegetable matter, must be worked in a good turf is to be secured. There is little danger of using too much of either of these materials. Light, sandy soils should have clay and humus worked in to increase their water-holding capacity. The humus may be supplied in the form of manure compost or soil from mushroom beds at the rate of one-half ton to 1,000 square feet of area. After the proper constituents are supplied, the lawn soil should be thoroughly stirred and firmed. This preparation should begin several weeks before seeking time to allow sufficient time for the ground to settle and for weed seeds to germinate.

Kentucky blue grass is, in general, the most desirable turf-forming grass for lawn use in the northern part of the United States. For best results it usually is made the predominant ingredient in mixtures containing also the seeds of several other grasses and white clover. A mixture found satisfactory by department specialists consists of 17 parts of Kentucky blue grass, and 1 part white clover. Those planting lawns must not make the mistake of sowing their seed too thinly, for a thick stand of grass is essential at the beginning. From 4 to 5 pounds of the above mixture should be sown for each 1,000 square feet of area. The seed may be covered over a small area by hand raking, or on a large area, by a weeder. After the seeds are covered, the planted area may be rolled lightly.

START M'CAUSLAND TRIAL

POINT PLEASANT, W. Va., Aug. 31.—The trial of Samuel McCausland, charged with the murder of George Jeffreys, is being held before a special term of Circuit Court here. McCausland, who is a son of the wealthy and famous Confederate general, John McCausland, who lives near Point Pleasant, is alleged to have killed Jeffreys with a shovel on the McCausland farm, where Jeffreys was employed as a farmhand.

TO OPEN HEADQUARTERS.

The local Associated Charities organization will reopen its headquarters in the city building on Monday, September 4. Office hours will be observed from 10 to 11 o'clock in the morning and from 2 until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The offices will be in charge of Miss Margaret McKinney.

SUES NOTED MINISTER FOR HEART BALM.



LUCILLE COVINGTON

Miss Covington has filed suit for \$100,000, in New York and Chicago, against the Rev. Dr. John Wesley Hill of New York, widely known as a civic, industrial and international peace speaker, charging breach of promise. She says she met Dr. Hill, who is married, in Chicago in 1910. She alleges he represented himself as a widower and asked her to marry him so his children might have a mother.

LOCAL SOCIAL EVENTS

Holding Picnic.

The Women's Missionary circle of the First Baptist church is holding its annual picnic at Loop Park this afternoon. A missionary program was observed beginning at three o'clock and at six this evening a picnic supper will be enjoyed. The program is in charge of Mrs. T. L. Henderson.

Annual Picnic.

Seaton Camp No. 5039 will hold their annual picnic at Camp-Not-a-Wink on the Valley river on Friday of this week.

Mannington Event.

Honoring her guest, Miss Julia Leigh, of Trenton, N. J., Mrs. Joseph A. Leigh entertained with a pretty appointed garden party at her home in Mannington last evening. Twenty guests were entertained.

Morgan Reunion.

The Morgan reunion which will be held at Oak Grove near Morgantown on Thursday, September 7, will be attended by a large number of the connections of the family, which is one of the best known families of the section. The delegation from this city will go to Morgantown on the morning train and there join the Morgantown delegation and go on the M. & K. to Oak Grove. Mr. John Morgan, of Morgantown, is president of the organization.

Entertained at Dinner.

Miss Katherine Arnett entertained a number of friends at a prettily appointed dinner last evening at "Westwood," the summer bungalow of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Arnett.

Picnic Today.

The Sunday school of the First Methodist Episcopal church is holding its annual picnic today at Loop Park. A large number of the members of the school went to the park taking along abundantly filled baskets and an old fashioned picnic dinner featured the day's pleasures.

Guests in City.

Mrs. Houston Goff Young and little son, Chesney, and Mrs. James Chesney, of Charleston, are guests of Attorney and Mrs. Tusca Morris on Fairmont avenue. Mrs. Chesney is the mother and Mrs. Young a sister of Mrs. Morris. They will spend several weeks here.

LLOYD GEORGE'S DAUGHTER TO WED BRITISH ARMY MAN



The marriage of Miss Owen Lloyd George, elder daughter of the British minister of war, to Captain C. T. Carey Evans may be celebrated next autumn. Captain Evans won the military cross in Gallipoli.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lantz have returned from a motor trip to Jollytown, Pr., where they visited Mrs. Lantz's mother, Mrs. J. B. Russell, who had been the guest of Mrs. Lantz recently is now visiting in Jollytown.

Mr. Eugene Nuzum left today for his home in Tuscaloosa, Ala., after a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Smith, Mrs. Nuzum and daughter, Mrs. Lester Snow, and the latter's son will remain here for a while.

Mrs. Leroy Taylor and Mrs. Ernest Bell, of Buia, Monongalia county, motored here today and spent the day.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, of Chicago, is the guest of Mrs. Lawrence Byrne on High street.

Mrs. Edgar Carver, of Rowlesburg, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson on Chicago street.

Mrs. Bert S. Leopold and daughter, Miss Marjorie, will leave on Friday for a visit at Wheeling and Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Leopold will join them in Cleveland later and accompany them home.

Mrs. S. J. Brobst has returned from a visit in Pittsburgh.

Misses Irene Davis and Marie Shuttlesworth returned last night from Pittsburgh, where they had spent two weeks.

Dr. G. W. Keener has returned from Webster Springs where he had spent several weeks.

Rev. and Mrs. H. G. Stoetzer have returned from Morgantown where they motored. Mrs. John J. Brown, who had been their guest, accompanied them home.

Ir. F. P. Ayers, of Atlanta, Ga., is visiting his sister, Mrs. O. S. McKinney, in this city.

Miss Nell Hursey, of Clarksburg, who had been the guest of Miss Beryl Leonard, left last evening for a visit in Wheeling.

Mrs. J. L. Hall and Mrs. T. T. Hoult have returned from a visit to New York City, and Kingston, N. Y. In New York they were joined by Miss Laura Robinson, of this city, who is spending some time in Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Watson returned yesterday from an extended visit to Atlantic City.

Mrs. F. S. Robinson, of Rhinelander, Wis., arrived here yesterday on a visit to her sister-in-law, Mrs. Josephine Haymond and her niece, Miss Kate Preston Haymond. Mrs. Robinson was before her marriage Miss Emma Bird Haymond, a daughter of the late John Haymond, of this city.

Mrs. John Hilliard, of Morgantown, and her son, Mrs. George Immel, of Greensburg, Pa., are spending the day in this city guests of Mr. and Mrs. Minor Dunham.

HEAR GAS RATE CASE

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 31.—The Public Service Commission announced that it will Friday hear both sides of counsel on the petition of the Pittsburgh & West Virginia Gas company for permission to increase its rates for gas to consumers in Taylor, Harrison and Marion counties. Citizens of Cotton Hill, Fayette county, filed a petition with the commission asking that the Adams Express company be required to re-open its office there.

MOTHER IN POLITICS SUBJECT OF TALK



MISS JULIA LATHROP

When the National American Woman Suffrage association convenes, September 6-10, at Atlantic City, Miss Julia Lathrop, chief of the children's bureau of the United States department of labor, will talk on "Mothers in Politics."

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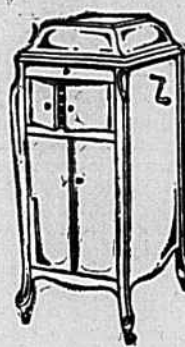
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Monongalia Musings

***The Fairmont Fair has faded away into the light of common day, as a poet would express it. However, many a fair Fairmonter will not fade for several days, and old Time should be severely dealt with for permitting them to fade at all.

***Hundreds of papers now have beauty specialists to give advice concerning freckles, moles, wrinkles, corns, blouses and bunions, and if their advice is of any value the race should be growing more beautiful day by day. Will the Ruff Stuff editor inform us if they really are.

***We learn from the press that the Great I Am of Oyster Bay will in a few days vent a vast collection of blustering adjectives mixed with a liberal supply of personal pronouns. That they will fill a long felt want is seriously doubted by several desirable citizens.

***A large crowd assembled at the reunion of the Arnett family at Georgetown Sunday. The weather was pleasant and the reunion an enjoyable affair. Several addresses which breathed the spirit of human brotherhood were delivered and appreciated. The memory of the day will long remain.

***Will the tariff question never be settled? We may as well admit that the tariff bills introduced by both parties were written by finite men, not by an angel band. The steel trust may be annoyed, but not annihilated. Trusts have stolen in the line that game.

***The statement that the Danish West Indies, which Uncle Sam is about to purchase, produces all the bay rum in the world, induces a stinging sage to say that he wouldn't give \$25,000,000 for all the bay rum in a flock of worlds.

***One of the most wicked wits of modern times airs the awful assertion that many a girl marries for love because she never gets a chance to marry for anything more substantial.

***An Indiana editor proclaims the opinion that the owners of the ten most expensive touring cars here en-

vy the ten old-fashioned men whose thoroughbreds trotted so gallantly at the country fair race circuit.

S. C. MUSGRAVE.

BARRACKVILLE PARTY

Mrs. William Bullock and Miss Martha Hall, of Barrackville, gave a party Saturday night honoring Miss Donaldson's guest, Miss Day Johnson, of Enterprise, W. Va.

Dancing and games were the diversions of the evening, refreshments were served at a late hour. Those present were the Misses Maude and Garnet Donaldson, Martha Hall, Day Johnson, Rhoda Matthews, Marie Whetzel, Hazel Crim, Etta and Nell Rhodes, Sarah Donaldson, Margaret Bullock, Yena Ellis, Venita Anderson, Helen Carnal, Willard Johnson, Flora Carlin, of Clarksburg; Rev. H. D. Shultz, Don Donaldson, Charlie Vincent, Hermis Goodnight, Percy and Junior Johnson, "Doc" Wilson, Joe Carroll, Lawrence Burke, Mike Car-

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